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PATENT APPLICATION



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: )  
TAKAO OGURA, et al. )  
Application No.: 09/676,090 )  
Filed: October 2, 2000 )  
For: RECHARGEABLE LITHIUM )  
BATTERY AND PROCESS )  
FOR THE PRODUCTION )  
THEREOF : September 23, 2002

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Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

PETITION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)

Sir:

Applicants petition the Commissioner for Patents to extend the time for response to the Office Action dated May 22, 2002 for one month from August 22, 2002 to Monday, September 23, 2002.

Submitted herewith is a check for \$110.00 to cover the fee for the extension under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17. Any deficiency in or overpayment of this fee should be charged or credited to Deposit Account 06-1205. A duplicate copy of this petition is enclosed.

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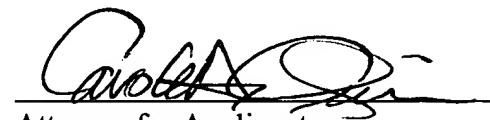
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Applicants' undersigned attorney may be reached in our Costa Mesa, California office at (714) 540-8700. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our below-listed address.

Respectfully submitted,



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